

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

On page 7, please replace the paragraph starting on line 4 with the following replacement paragraph:

--According to a possible embodiment arm 34 is operatively associated with a cam 42 and a microswitch 44 preferably through splined shaft 38 (~~Figures 7 and 8~~ Figure 9) with the function of checking that the opposing means has passed beyond a particular vertical position so as to ensure that the passenger is held.--.